

## LESSON

## 37

## RETEACHING WORKSHEET

## Tone

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**Review** Tone is the attitude a writer takes toward a subject. To identify tone:

- Read the passage carefully to yourself. Identify any **direct statements** about the subject.
- Read the passage **aloud**. Imagine that the author is speaking the words.
- Use what you have learned to suggest a word or words to describe the tone of the passage.

**A. Directions:** Read each passage. **Decide** which word best describes the writer's tone. **Circle** the letter of the best answer.

1. I've told you for the last time, don't forget to lock the back door!  
**a.** exasperated                      **b.** incredulous                      **c.** unhappy
2. How can you accuse me of such treachery?  
**a.** insincere                      **b.** indignant                      **c.** friendly
3. The bitter cold of the blizzard made the sled dogs huddle together for warmth. There was nothing to do but hope to survive until the wind died down.  
**a.** matter-of-fact                      **b.** upset                      **c.** ominous
4. That was as handsome an apology as anyone has ever made me, and I want you to know that I appreciate it.  
**a.** serious                      **b.** humble                      **c.** sorrowful

**B. Directions:** Read the passage below. **Briefly describe** the writer's tone, or attitude, toward the subject. **Refer to specific details** that support your answer.

He had so heated himself with rapid walking in the fog and frost, this nephew of Scrooge's, that he was all in a glow: his face was ruddy and handsome; his eyes sparkled; and his breath smoked again.

—Charles Dickens, from *A Christmas Carol*

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